

REMARKS

The present application was filed on April 19, 2001 with claims 1 through 60. Claims 1-7, 9-24, 26-40, 42-52, 54-57, 59 and 60 are presently pending. Claims 24, 34, 46-47, 52, 55, 57 and 60 are proposed to be amended herein.

5 In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to the Specification for failing to recite the number series 700. The Examiner objected to claims 34 and 47 because two indicated phrases might cause antecedent basis problems. Claims 24, 26-33, 35, 36, 38-40, 42-50, 52, 54, 55, 57, 59 and 60 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 because they do not provide a useful, concrete and tangible result. The Examiner indicated that claims 1-10 7, 9-23, 51 and 56 are allowed.

The Examiner objected to the Specification for failing to recite the number series 700. Applicants note that FIG 7 does not include numbers or labels in the 700 series. Applicants submit that the discussion of FIG 7 is clear and complete as originally filed, and that the addition of the number series 700 is unnecessary.

15 The Examiner objected to claims 34 and 47 because two indicated phrases might cause antecedent basis problems. Claims 34 and 47 have been amended in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion to ensure proper antecedent basis.

Claims 24, 26-33, 35, 36, 38-40, 42-50, 52, 54, 55, 57, 59 and 60 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 because they do not provide a useful, concrete and20 tangible result. The independent claims in question have been amended in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion to reflect that "speech recognition."

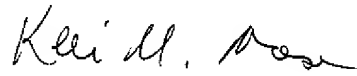
Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of all of the remaining objections and rejections.

25 All of the pending claims are in condition for allowance and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

If any outstanding issues remain, or if the Examiner has any further suggestions for expediting allowance of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

The Examiner's attention to this matter is appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,



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